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State revokes, suspends licenses, certifications, registrations of health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has revoked or suspended the licenses, certifications, or registrations of health care providers in our state. The department has also immediately suspended the credentials of people who have been prohibited from practicing in other states.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Division works with boards, commissions and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 80 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency's website. Click on "[Look up a healthcare provider license](#)" in the "How Do I?" section of the [Department of Health home page](#) (doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Clark County

In June 2013 the Pharmacy Board indefinitely suspended the credential of pharmacy technician **Jerry E. Murray** (VA00063049). Murray didn't comply with a March 2008 agreement to enroll and comply with the Washington Recovery Assistance Program for Pharmacy.

Cowlitz County

In June 2013 the secretary of health suspended the credential of nursing assistant **Lesa A. Newt** (NA00149395) for at least two years. Newt was found to have financially exploited a vulnerable adult while working as a caregiver at an assisted living facility.

Island County

In June 2013 the secretary of health ordered **Hui Fu** to cease-and-desist any and all conduct constituting the practice of massage unless Fu obtains the appropriate credential. Fu practiced massage without a valid credential.

King County

In June 2013 the Dental Quality Assurance Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of profession name **Gary Duane Bogachus** (DE00004187). Bogachus provided treatment below the standard of care.

In June 2013 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of practical nurse **Michael P. Byrd** (LP00049340). Byrd must obtain a psychiatric or psychological evaluation prior to seeking reinstatement.

In June 2013 the Dental Quality Assurance Commission accepted the surrendered credential of dentist **Peter T. Kusakabe** (DE00002462). Kusakabe did not comply with rules requiring infection control procedures.

In June 2013 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of registered nurse **Julien Christy G. Lopez** (RN00154096). Lopez was terminated in July 2011 from Virginia Mason Medical Center in Seattle after failing to administer prescribed medications to several patients

Pierce County

In June 2013 the secretary of health ordered **Jennifer A. McDonald** to cease and desist the practice of massage in the State of Washington unless she obtains the required health care credentials or otherwise meets an exception.

In June 2013 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of registered nurse **Carol Ann Miller** (RN00127854). Miller misused controlled substances while working as a registered nurse at Swedish Medical Center.

Skagit

In June 2013 the Pharmacy Board suspended the credential of pharmacy assistant **Madison Sloane Hall** (VB60141775). Hall tested positive for morphine during a workplace drug test and admitted that she used heroin. Before she can petition for reinstatement of her credential, she must seek substance abuse evaluation through the Washington Recovery Assistance Program for Pharmacy.

Spokane County

In Month 2013 the secretary of health suspended the credential of nursing assistant **Stacie Marie Leighton** (NA60290530) for at least two years. Leighton took a patient's liquid morphine for her personal use and replaced it with water. Leighton's urine later tested positive for morphine.

Thurston County

In June 2013 the secretary of health ordered **Yunhong Li** to cease-and-desist the practice of massage unless Li obtains the appropriate credential. Li is not licensed to practice massage in the State of Washington.

Out of State

Idaho: In Month 2013 the Nursing Commission summarily suspended the credential of licensed practical nurse **Cynthia Lynn Van Holland** (LP00035653) pending further legal action. Van Holland's license to practice as a licensed practical nurse in Idaho was revoked after she pled guilty to 21 bank robberies in California.

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